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Coos Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Meeting Minutes-
August 28, 2014
(Approved September 25, 2014)

Regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Charlie Waterman.

Board members present:, Mark Villers, Charlie Waterman, Dan Pierce, Ernie Newton.

Absent board members: Empty zone 5, Beau Allen,

Staff: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas

Guests present: Amy Wilson (NRCS), Barbara Grant (Curry SWCD), Cassie Bruka (OSU Ext), Pam Blake (DEQ), Ken Hershey.

7:03 PM Steve Scheer tendered his resignation to the board and left the meeting. Only two board members remained present so no motions were made.

7:04 PM **Introductions:** All members introduced themselves. A sign-in sheet was passed around.

Agency Reports:

7:08 PM-7:32 PM

ODA - Beth Pietrzak (present) with Kevin Masterson and Steven Riley (attended via telephone) discussed the Pesticide Stewardship Program. They discussed who is going to be doing the sampling and which sites have the highest mixed landscape to be sampled. There is \$1500 in SOW funds for monitoring tasks for staff and mileage.

Pam Blake suggested looking to monitor sites with mixed landscape with urban, forestry and agricultural. Sites discussed were Johnson Creek, Beach Loop Rd, Cunningham Creek and Two Mile Creek. Kevin suggested more intense sampling in the spring and not use so much of the budget in the fall. It was suggested to possibly do 4 sites, 5 times in the fall and 5 sites, 5 times in the spring. Possibly start sampling September 15th and September 29th, then go every two weeks in October. Charlie suggested starting sampling late September, one in the middle of October, one in early November, middle of November and late November (a week after Thanksgiving). Pam stated she would set up training for samplers. Pam will also send out email highlighting what will be done. She also discussed briefly collection at Beaverhill for hazardous waste for household and commercial and stated it will be two separate days (one day for each).

7:32 PM Beth concluded

7:32 PM – 7:38 PM

DEQ - Pam Blake discussed reassembling local advisory group and asked present board members to have someone representing SWCD be present when they have a guest speaker (See handout one). Charlie asked if the meeting could be televised as to get more interest and inform more people. Pam stated she will look into having it televised locally.

7:38 PM – Pam concluded

7:38 PM – 7:40 PM

ODFW - Jeff Jackson discussed working on projects at Yankee Run, Joe's Creek and Westward Millicoma.

7:40 PM Jeff concluded

7:40 PM – 7:47 PM

NRCS - Amy Wilson advised to submit full proposals to see if any grants fit in with any projects we are doing in the future. She stated to check resources available online. Amy mentioned there is no agreement with SWCD and wanted to know/understand SWCD's concerns with signing an agreement so there can be a working relationship. Amy would like the agreement to be put on a future agenda. Charlie stated we will put the agreement on the next agenda.

7:47 PM Amy concluded.

7:48 PM – 7:51 PM

OSU Ext - Cassie Bruka stated army worms are becoming an issue and to send any complaints regarding the worms to them. Pam suggested talking to Brett regarding drought declaration.

7:51 PM Cassie concluded.

7:51 PM – 7:58 PM

Coos Watershed - Ernie read staff report for Coos Watershed (see attached #3). Ernie stated he received confirmation for election.

7:58 PM Ernie concluded

7:58 PM – 8:27 PM

SWCD - Caley gave staff report (see attached #4) Caley stated there was a problem with one of the fiscal reports. Charlie advised for the next meeting have motion to approve changes put on the agenda.

8:05 PM Pam said we could add Myrtle Creek but should trade it for another location that will be announced a later date. Ernie suggested sampling water at Bridge. Pam suggest if we don't find a sampling spot then choose a different location. Caley will look for access for Myrtle Creek within the next two weeks. Charlie stated Myrtle Creek priority since it's in our focus area.

8:13 PM Caley discussed issues with current small grant for property owner. She did a plot plan for the small grant. Property owner is not sure if she wants to continue. Caley will continue to work with the owner.

8:22 PM Caley was hired a year ago as of September 23rd and is requesting September 18th & 19th off. Ernie and Charlie both stated for her to ask Mark about her time off.

8:24 PM Charlie stated we need to replace Steve for zone 1.

8:27 PM Caley informed board of refund check. It was decided the refund check will be put into general fund

8:27 PM Meeting adjourn

Signature of the Chairman

Date

Submitted by:

Caley Sowers

Date